GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TRIBAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:82
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BELOW POVERTY LINE STS
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Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Schedule Tribes living Below the Poverty Line (BPL); state-wise/ UT-wise; and

(b) the number of persons assisted and crossed the poverty line so far ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS(DR. RAMESHWAR ORAON)

(a & b) : According to the estimates of ST population below poverty line compiled by the Planning Commission, there have been an overall decrease by 4.6 percentage points in the population of STs living below poverty line in rural areas during the period from 1993-94 to 2004-05 as against corresponding decrease by 7.8 percentage points in the urban areas. The State-wise and UT-wise population of STs living below the poverty line in the respective years is given in Annexure.